

November 10, 2010

ITEM NO. C1

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners (“Board”) authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the City of Chicago, acting through its Department of Family and Support Services (“DFSS”), in an amount not to exceed \$3,012,660 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 to provide services to Chicago Housing Authority (“CHA”) residents.

FUNDING SUMMARY
General Fund

Vendor: Department of Family and Support Services

Address: 1615 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60622

Contract Type: Intergovernmental Agreement

Contract Amount: \$3,012,660

Contract Term: January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

M/W/DBE Participation (Original & Modification): N/A

Section 3: N/A

_____ (#) Hiring _____ (\$) Subcontracting _____ (\$) Other Economic Opportunities

GENERAL BACKGROUND

In 2011, the following following initiatives will be provided through an IGA with DFSS:

Out of School Time –After School Programming

The After School and Summer Employment programs will be provided as part of DFSS’ Out of School Time “School Year” program structure that provides youth the opportunity to participate in quality, structured programs throughout the calendar year. Through the After School Program 500 CHA children and youth ages 6-12 and 13-15 will participate in educational support, recreational, arts and theater activities. In 2010, 200 CHA youth were served by DFSS’ Out of School Time programming.

Learn & Earn

In 2010, the Learn & Earn program served nearly 700 CHA youth ages 13 to 15 at City Colleges sites throughout Chicago. In 2011, the Learn & Earn program will continue to provide 700 CHA youth with academic enrichment and career exploration activities during the summer months. Learn & Earn consists of two components: (1) an educational session conducted by an educational provider and (2) a youth career development session delivered by participating agencies. Participating youth receive a weekly stipend of \$100, based on attendance. The program runs for six weeks, five days a week for six hours a day.

Golden Diner

The Golden Diner provides full course meals that meet the recommended dietary allowances for older adults to help them stay healthy and addresses isolation by providing the venue for socialization and physical activities for seniors to engage in before and/or after meals are served. In 2010, the CHA Golden Diner program served senior residents at 25 CHA senior buildings, providing approximately 10,000 meals through each month.

Homeless Prevention Program

DFSS will provide homeless prevention services to CHA residents facing eviction from a CHA public housing family development unit or a resident under the age of 62 living in a CHA Senior building. The program is voluntary; CHA residents that choose to participate will be offered services including, but not limited to: crisis counseling; emergency shelter/interim housing placement; and relocation, transportation and emergency assistance. In 2010, (through September 30th), DFSS conducted approximately 60 home visits, providing counseling and referral services to 20 CHA residents facing eviction.

Early Childhood/Family Initiative

The Early Childhood/Family Initiative involves the provision of early childhood and family literacy services to CHA families, specifically those with toddlers through children age 10.

Operation Warm

In 2011, DFSS will contribute to Operation Warm, a national non-profit organization, to distribute free winter coats to CHA children and youth. In both 2009 and 2010, Operation Warm provided approximately 10,000 coats that DFSS and CHA distributed to CHA children and youth at a service fair held at the UIC Forum. The events were held in coordination with FamilyWorks agencies and other organizations offering assistance with day care, job readiness and job opportunities, health care, youth enrichment activities, literacy, substance abuse treatment and other services.

Based upon the foregoing, it is in the best interest of the CHA to authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Department of Family and Support Services in an amount not to exceed \$3,012,660 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 to provide supportive services to Chicago Housing Authority (“CHA”) residents.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-154

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated November 10, 2010, entitled "AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND SUPPORT SERVICES"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago, acting through its Department of Family and Support Services, in an amount not to exceed \$3,012,660 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 to provide supportive services to Chicago Housing Authority residents.

